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Please find the amendment below.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (Amended) A hair styling system for parting hair according to a predetermined pattern, the hair styling system comprising:
 - a. a parting device with a tip portion for tracing through the hair; and
 - b. a stencil with a <u>stationary</u> styling edge that is contoured with the predetermined pattern,

wherein placing the stencil on an area of the hair, tracing the tip portion of the parting device along the <u>stationary</u> styling edge of the stencil and separating the hair along the trace, parts the hair according to the predetermined pattern.

- 2. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the <u>stationary</u> styling edge of the stencil is contoured with a plurality of geometric protrusions.
- 3. (Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the predetermined pattern comprises a plurality of geometric protrusion are selected from a group consisting of rounded scallops, squared teeth and pointed teeth.

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